

ON THE EVE OF 59TH FOUNDATION DAY OF
MDKG COLLEGE, DIBRUGARH, ASSAM
5TH JULY, 2021

**MANOHARI DEVI KANOI GIRLS COLLEGE,
DIBRUGARH, ASSAM**

**59TH FOUNDATION DAY
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Respected All,

We take immense pleasure to inform you that MDKG college is going to celebrate its 59th Foundation Day on 4th and 5th July, 2021.

We hereby solicit your gracious presence on this occasion.

Yours faithfully

MDKG Family



4th July, 2021: Sunday

Interactive Session

- 6.00 PM: Welcome Song by Dr. Bolin Handique
- 6.10 PM: Inaugural Address, by Dr. Nibedita Phukan, Principal, MDKG College
- 6.20 PM: Brief speeches by former Principals, Faculty Members, staff of MDKG College.
- 7.20 PM: Speech by Faculty Members & Staffs.

Monday, 5th July (Venue: College Campus)

- 9.00 AM : Lighting of the Auspicious Lamp by Principal, MDKG College.
- 9.10 AM: Flag Hoisting by Principal.
- 9.20 AM: Inauguration of Museum by Dr. P. Baruah, President, Governing Body, MDKG College.
- 9.30 AM: Brief speeches by the members present.
- 10.10 AM: Vote of thanks by Dr. Utpal Sut, Secretary, Organizing Committee.
- 10.20 AM: Refreshment.

5th July, 2021: Monday

Webinar On

***CHALLENGES POSED BY THE COVID
PANDEMIC: ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY
OF THE HIGHER EDUCATIONAL
INSTITUTIONS***

- 4 PM: Welcome Speech by Dr. Utpal Sut
- 4.05 PM: Inaugural Speech by Dr. Nibedita Phukan, Principal, MDKG College, Dibrugarh

SPEAKERS

DR. ARADHANA KATAKI

RETIRED HOD, DEPT. OF ENGLISH,
MDKG COLLEGE, DIBRUGARH

PROF. RAJIB HANDIQUE

HOD, DEPT. OF HISTORY,
GAUHATI UNIVERSITY

PROF. AKHIL RANJAN DUTTA

HOD, DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE,
GAUHATI UNIVERSITY

WEBINAR ON
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HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Mode of Webinar: Google meet

Time: 04:00 Pm

Date: 05-07-2021

Rapporteur: Dr. Malina Basumatary, HoD, Dpt. of Education, MDKG College

Ms. Mitali Sonowal, Assistant Prof, Dpt. of Education, MDKG College

Moderator: Dr. Rizia Begum Laskar, Assistant Prof, Dpt. of English, MDKG College

Key Note Speakers of the Webinar:

1. Dr. Aradhana Kataki (Retired HoD, Dpt. of English, MDKG College, Dibrugarh)
2. Prof. Rajib Handique (HoD, Dpt. of History, Gauhati University)
3. Prof. Akhil Ranjan Dutta (HoD, Dpt. of Political Science, Gauhati University)

Persons present in the Webinar:

- Dr. Nibedita Phukan, Principal, MDKG College, Dibrugarh
- Dr. Utpal Sut, IQAC Co-ordinator, MDKG College, Dibrugarh
- Esteemed learned and retired Faculty members of MDKG College, Dibrugarh
- Present Faculty members of MDKG College, Dibrugarh
- Office Staff members of MDKG College, Dibrugarh
- Convener of the programme, Mr. Jadavjyoti Saikia (Librarian of MDKG College, Dibrugarh)
- MDKG Students Union Body

Welcome Speech: Dr. Utpal Sut, IQAC Co-ordinator, MDKG College, Dibrugarh

Dr. Utpal Sut, at the very outset thanked Dr. Nibedita Phukan, Principal, MDKG College, Dibrugarh, who has immensely supported and encouraged for conducting a thoughtful webinar on the eve of the 59th foundation day of MDKG College, Dibrugarh. He also extended his heartiest welcome to the esteemed Speakers Dr. Aradhana Kataki (Retired HoD, Dpt. of English, MDKG College, Dibrugarh), Prof. Rajib Handique (HoD, Dpt. of History, Gauhati University), Prof. Akhil Ranjan Dutta (HoD, Dpt. of Political Science, Gauhati University), and also welcomed the participants in the webinar. Dr. Sut has also spoke about the current situation that has immensely affected the entire backbone of teaching- learning and evaluation system. He also mentioned about the constraints that has been seen among the students and the teacher's fraternity. So keeping in view the situations he mentioned that the present webinar has been taken underhand to discuss how to come over the issues and challenges in higher education, and also to bring new horizons in the system. Hence, he graciously welcomed the Speakers once again, and expected their valuable input and suggestions from different angles over the topic of the webinar.

Inaugural Speech: Dr. Nibedita Phukan, Principal, MDKG College, Dibrugarh

Dr. Nibedita Phukan, has delivered a brief speech on how recent pandemic has created havoc in all spheres of life. Students are deprived from their valuable social interactions, face-to-face learning in the classes and cope over online classes. Teachers too have to update themselves with the latest technology to deliver education to their students. She has also pointed out the New Education Policy,

which points to integrate virtual learning feasible for all by 2025. Student's problems were also highlighted due to the current situation which has affected them both physically and mentally. The best utilization of time has also been hampered. Therefore, on the recent teaching-learning system during the present pandemic, she mentioned the use of online teaching and learning, the use of technology in teaching-learning process. Keeping in mind the overall conditions of the students during the pandemic, teachers should also be encouraged and able to create utmost co-operation in terms of students learning with vital support and encouragement. Moreover, Teachers should be updated to teach in class with the help of technological devices as well. With this she has also welcomed all and hoped for a successful discussion over the topic.

Speaker No 1: Dr. Aradhana Kataki (Retired HoD, Dpt. of English, MDKG College, Dibrugarh)

Dr. Aradhana Kataki, has pointed out regarding the loss of connectivity with the world due to pandemic. The challenges that has been faced by the teachers and the students during this pandemic and mentioned these challenges as a long term challenge. She has also briefly framed out the recent effects that have been faced by students in online learning from the studies and findings. However, she talked about the benefits as well as the adverse effect of online teaching-learning, the disadvantage of appropriate use of tools, unprepared crossover, and also pointed the profit in the time of corona. Moreover, her discussions included the introduction of SWAYM platform for learning also.

Speaker No 2: Prof. Rajib Handique (HoD, Dpt. of History, Gauhati University)

Prof. Rajib Handique, has mentioned Education is transactional not transformational. With this he mentioned various challenges such as: about the structural, institutional and functional challenges, loss of socialization due to pandemic, outcome based education getting hit, continuous evaluation hampered, difficulties in the laboratory work, field work, internships etc, regarding assessment such as NAAC assessment, unable to address the psychological aspects and the mental status are in big turmoil among the students as well as the teachers, problem on how to carry on actual teaching and learning, missing of the soft skills, communications, the use of library has also been hindered, the problems that are being faced due to open-book examination and also dependency on software's may affect students learning etc. However, out of all the odds and challenges, he mentioned that competency has to be build up, focus should be towards better learner outcome, encouraging exchange of ideas in online mode through various contest and competitions, helpline for counseling, integrating ODL, online courses, suggested blended mode of learning with more flexibility. At last he mentioned towards being positive, being ready for challenges and be prepared, grabbing the utmost chance of internationalization (Mentioning Cambridge University where 100% online teaching learning is encouraged). He also mentioned the initiatives imposed by PM of India indicating Digital India towards bridging the gap in this pandemic. However, he has mentioned that there can be no alternative to offline education.

Speaker No 3: Prof. Akhil Ranjan Dutta (HoD, Dpt. of Political Science, Gauhati University)

Prof. Akhil Ranjan Dutta, talked about a distinctive educational system right from its root to the present time situation. He also stated that education has emerged from organic to impersonal, technological and vice versa mode of education. Higher education is bringing about newness to the whole educational system also. He mentioned about the three 'S' viz. Science, Social Security and Solidarity.

Discussions: With the extensive and valuable information's that has been put forth by the three Speakers, the session was open for discussion among all the esteemed participants. Dr. Rizia Begum Laskar and Shrutimala Bharali (Assistant Prof/s, Dpt. of English, MDKG College), and Dr. Rupali Madam (Retired Faculty of Dpt. of English, MDKG College), have expressed their views on the current situations and how this recent system of teaching has paved the way for each and every individual and mainly students and teachers in the teaching-learning process. They have also shared their individual experiences of online classes.

Vote of Thanks: Convener of the programme, Mr. Jadavjyoti Saikia (Librarian of MDKG College, Dibrugarh) has thanked one and all participants present in the webinar for making it a grand success with pertinent discussions. He also thanked all the associates of this webinar for their consistent help. And most importantly he offered his gratitude towards Dr. Nibedita Phukan, Principal, MDKG College, Dibrugarh, who has always encouraged and motivated to step ahead towards such an innovative programme on the eve of 59th foundation day of MDKG College, Dibrugarh.

Speakers



Dr. Aradhana Kataki
Retired HOD, Dept. of English,
M.D.K.G. College



Prof. Rajib Handique
Dean, Faculty of Arts,
Gauhati University



Prof. Akhil Ranjan Dutta
HOD, Dept. of Political Science,
Gauhati University

Inaugurator



Dr. Nibedita Phukan
Principal, M.D.K.G. College

Welcome address



Dr. Utpal Sut
Coordinator, IQAC, M.D.K.G. College

Moderator



Dr. Rizia B. Laskar
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5th July, 2021 (Monday)
4:00 pm



Participants' registration link: <https://forms.gle/tkBpFg2j8nmVxD5e7> or scan the QR code
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MD Kanoi Girls' College celebrates 59th foundation day

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DIBRUGARH, July 6: Manohari Devi Kanoi Girls' College (MDKGC), one of the premier institutions of higher education of the State, established on July 5, 1963, celebrated its 59th foundation day on Monday. The function was inaugurated by Dr. Nibedita Phukan, Principal, MDKG College, and moderated by Dr. Anita Sharma, Assistant Professor of the college. All present in the programme recollected the bygone days and wonderful experience associated with the college and became nostalgic and emotional.

On Monday, the day began with hoisting of college

flag and lighting of lamp by the Principal, in presence of a number of GB members, staff and students. On this occasion, a museum was inaugurated by the GB president, Dr. Paresh Chandra Baruah. The museum established at the initiative of the Principal aims at collecting, preserving and highlighting the archaic items associated with the inception and development of the college. Moreover, an webinar on 'Challenges posed by COVID pandemic; Role and responsibility of Higher Education Institutions' was organized by the 59th foundation day organizing committee in which Professor (Dr) Rajiv Handique, Dean, Faculty of Arts,

GU, Dr. Akhil Ranjan Dutta, Professor and Head of the Department of Political Science, GU, Dr. Aradhana Katak, former Head of the Department of English, MDKG College, and also the president of PGPR, an NGO for people's right, acted as resource persons.

On Sunday, an interactive session was held among the retired principals, teachers and administrative staff of the college on a digital platform in which a good number of members of the college family, including Dr. Chandi Seth, Dr. Dilip Kumar Bhuyan, Dr. Gayatri Devi Goswami, Dr. Sandhya Devi, along with other eminent personalities took part actively.

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